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Coffee County BOE takes first look at Fiscal Year '19 budget during meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education met Thursday evening, Sept. 6, for its regular monthly meeting, and held the first of two required annual budget hearings during the meeting.

Shannon Odom, chief financial officer for the school system, presented the proposed Fiscal Year 2019 budget during the hearing. A second hearing is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 13, at 12 noon, and board members are anticipated to approve the budget after the second hearing.

The school system will operate on the Fiscal Year 2019 budget from Oct. 1, 2018 through Sept. 30, 2019.

Odom said the system is expected to have a beginning balance of \$7,169,069.89 with the new budget with the addition of \$21,855,124.64 in anticipated revenues for the year. She said that would bring the total revenues balance to \$29,024,194.64 for the fiscal year.

Odom further noted that anticipated expenditures would total \$22,241,607.15 for the year. She said that would leave an ending balance for the fiscal at \$6,782,587.38 on Sept. 30, 2019.

Following the budget hearing, board chairman Brian McLeod presented a resolution from the board commending the Altrusa International of Jack, Alabama for its commitment to Zion Chapel Schools.

McLeod noted this is the civic organization's 15th year of service to the Jack community.

The resolution commending Altrusa of Jack for the funds it has provided over the years to help with scholarships, literacy projects and more at Zion Chapel Schools.

McLeod said Altrusa of Jack conducts the Jack Day Festival each year on the



The Coffee County Board of Education approved a resolution Thursday evening, Sept. 6, commending Altrusa International of Jack for its commitment to Zion Chapel Schools. This commendation comes as the organization plans to celebrate its 15th annual Jack Day Festival this Saturday, Sept. 15, on the school campus. Accepting the resolution from board chairman Brian McLeod last Thursday night were Altrusa members Stephanie Goodson and Laura Jordan. The board will officially present the resolution during Saturday's Jack Day event. The Coffee County Commission is expected to present a proclamation that day as well to Altrusa of Jack.

campus of Zion Chapel Schools and funds raised during that annual event help in making all these things possible.

Board member unanimously voted to approve

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ELBA FIREFIGHTERS RESPONDED THURSDAY MORNING, SEPT. 6, JUST PRIOR TO 10:30 A.M. TO A POSSIBLE HOUSE FIRE at 895 N Claxton Avenue. Reportedly, a motorist noticed smoke coming from the house and stopped to check on things. This Good Samaritan realized there was indeed a problem and notified officials. Upon arrival on scene, members of the Elba Volunteer Fire Department found the home to be heavily filled with smoke. They immediately began to search for the source. It was soon discovered to be an electrical issue creating the fire/smoke and the firefighters were able to extinguish the hotspot before conditions worsened. There were two dogs inside the home at the time of the incident, and both were removed safely.



A HEAD-ON COLLISION OF TWO VEHICLES SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 8, on Claxton Avenue (Hwy 189 N) at the intersection of Johnson Street by the Evergreen Cemetery resulted in one person being taken to the hospital for minor injuries. The accident occurred at approximately 7:40 a.m. A 2012 Chevrolet Sonic, driven by Zoey Moore of Elba, collided with a 2007 Mercedes SKL280, driven by Kim Marjorie of Dozier, Ala. Elba Police said Moore was traveling south on Highway 189 when she attempted to turn left onto Johnson Street and came into the path of Marjorie, who was headed north on Highway 189. The two vehicles collided head-on, and the impact of the collision sent Marjorie's vehicle into the fence at the Evergreen Cemetery causing property damage to the fence. Marjorie was transported to Medical Center Enterprise from the scene for what officers said appeared to be minor injuries. Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene.

Elba City Council approves plan for refinancing old USDA sewer bonds

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council met Monday evening, Sept. 10, with two members absent due to conflicting obligations. Both council members Gappa Wise and Rolanda Jones had notified City Hall of their necessary absence.

Also, council member A. R. Williams had to leave early for a church engagement, leaving the group without a quorum, causing an early adjournment.

An important vote dealing with bond issues and refinancing was taken while a voting quorum was present.

The council quickly approved a resolution authorizing Mayor Mickey Murdock to move forward with refinancing \$1,753,000 of old USDA sewer improvement bonds. The plan states that the total new General Fund refunding warrants cannot exceed \$2,000,000, including legal

fees, bond insurance and the cost of issuing the bonds. The resolution also limits the maximum interest "real" rate at 4.5%.

Murdock explained this will save \$156,000 in interest cost over the life of the loan plus giving the city access to an existing cash reserve fund built up over the years of the existing bond issue.

Any agreement Murdock and the bond agents agree upon will be submitted for approval by the city council at its next meeting.

The council again postponed any action on a one-time retiree bonus plan authorized by the Alabama Legislature. The matter was tabled until all council members were present and voting. The total cost to the Elba General Fund would be \$9,752.

The Water and Electric Board is awaiting action by

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Two Elba Police officers receive sergeant pins at promotion ceremony

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Two officers with the Elba Police Department officially received their promotions Friday morning, Sept. 7, during a pinning ceremony held at Elba City Hall.

Police Chief Leslie Hussey announced the promotion of officers Wesley Hazel and Chase Rogers to the rank of Sergeant for the department.

"This is a special day for these two officers, and I am glad to be a part of it," Chief Hussey said. "The exemplify what we are looking for in our officers - honor, integrity and honesty."

Chief Hussey said he believes these two officers fit that description well, otherwise, there would have been no need for last Friday's pinning ceremony.

"We are fortunate to be building a department to be proud of, and we all are working together," Hussey said. "I feel these guys are going to do us a good job serving as sergeants within the department."

Hussey said Officer Chase Rogers had been with the Elba department for approximately six years, and Officer Wesley Hazel has been working in law enforcement since 2010.

Hussey pinned Officer Hazel with his sergeant pins while Rogers girlfriend, Brinley Williams, accepted the honor of pinning him.

Hussey said there were plenty of people worthy of this promotion, but



Elba Police Chief Leslie Hussey (center) announced the promotions last Friday, Sept. 7, of Officer Chase Rogers (left) and Officer Wesley Hazel (right) to the rank of sergeant with the Elba Police Department. Several other local law enforcement agencies were represented for the pinning ceremony of these two officers, as well as, city officials and their family members. Additional photos from this ceremony can be found on Page 12 of today's paper.

he felt it was time for these two officers and they should serve the Elba community to the best of their ability.

Prior to closing the ceremony,

Chief Hussey also invited anyone from the community to stop by the police department any time. He said the doors are always open for visits.

Past Homecoming Queens invited to participate in Elba's Sept. 21st Homecoming parade

The Class of 2019 extends an invitation for all former Elba High School Homecoming Queens to ride in the 2018 Homecoming Parade set for Friday, Sept. 21, at 3 p.m.

Each participant must provide her own vehicle and posters. Also, please notify the Elba High School office at 897-2266 by this Friday, Sept. 14, if planning to ride in the parade.

Area Happenings:

AREA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAMS will be in action Friday night, Sept. 14th. The Elba Tigers will travel to Kinston, the New Brockton Gamecocks will host Central, the Zion Chapel Rebels will host Luverne, and the Brantley Bulldogs will travel to Florala. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. for these games.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL WILL CELEBRATE HOMECOMING Friday, Sept. 21st. The theme is "Home Sweet Homecoming: Elba Traditions!" There will be a Pep Rally/Bonfire Thursday evening [Sept. 20] at 7 p.m. The Homecoming Queen Coronation will be held Friday at 9 a.m. followed by a pep rally in the Elba High School stadium. EHS will honor the Class of 1988 with a tea Friday at 1 p.m. in the Family and Consumer Science Department. The parade line up will begin at 1:30 with the parade promptly beginning at 3 p.m. Parade entries may be entered by contacting Brenda Boutwell at Elba High School [897-2266]. The Homecoming Court will be presented Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. followed by the football game against Florala at 7 p.m.

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING FOR THE DAY WIREGRASS CHAPTER 92, located in New Brockton, Ala., will be held Thursday, Sept. 27, at 6 p.m. The meeting will take place in the New Brockton Senior Center. For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"On account of being a democracy and run by the people, we have the only nation in the world that has to keep a government four years, no matter what it does." – Will Rogers

Last week we reported on the rainfall for the Choc-Pea Watershed, quoting from the monthly totals compiled from their host of rain gauges located all around the nine county area and connected to one central computer. Well twice in the next day or so we got quizzed about 'what did (certain gauge) record that month.' Then the next person who questioned us wanted to know about another area. Apparently our printing out all those numbers left the impression we were intelligent – or something! True, our mother once told some folks that this oldest child would argue with a signpost . . . and win his fair share of the arguments but – time has constantly flashed before our eyes the truth that we don't really have all the correct answers. So anyone with questions about the rainfall during a particular month at a particular gauge is welcome to come by the office and we will click open a copy of the monthly report and READ off the requested numbers.

There are a lot of opinions being batted around about the anonymous opinion piece on the OP-ED page of the New York Times last week. Some loved the revelations in the article, some hated it, other citizens complained that it was unsigned. The vast majority of us probably never heard of the individual, but some complained and/or used this as an excuse to discount the claims in the article. This is really no surprise to us. Years ago we read of a newspaper that was having great success with unsigned letters-to-the-editor and gave it a try right here in Elba – for a while, a short while. The lack of a name didn't give readers anyone to be mad at but those folks at the newspaper office. That practice was discontinued and now we go to the extreme of confirming if the name on the letter is the person writing the letter – we got caught on that ploy once also.

Former Alabama House Speaker Mike Hubbard continues to fight his 2016 ethics conviction. Recently, following a long delay, the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals upheld 11 of his 12 convictions. He has now asked the court to reverse its decision that upheld the conviction. The once powerful lawmaker remains free on bail as his case slowly makes its way through the Alabama court system. If, and when, the Appeals Court upholds their previous decision, Hubbard can then appeal to the Alabama Supreme Court. Regardless of the outcome of these slow trips through the courts, we expect Mr. Hubbard will enjoy several more years of freedom before he will actually have to serve any prison time. Then considering the Appeals Court was critical of the ambiguities in the ethics laws, he has a chance of getting even more, or all, of his convictions overturned.

It is hard to believe that it has been seventeen years since the horrible terrorist attacks of 9/11. The massive loss of lives from the crashing of those hijacked passenger planes marked the beginning of a new picture of life in the United States. No longer do we casually get on an airplane for a business trip or vacation without a thought of "what if". Now passengers are subjected to being searched each time they head to the boarding gate and also know that certain items are absolutely banned from the flights while others must be in checked luggage. Even with these necessary restrictions, we consider life as good in the USA.



Ronnie Young of Southeast Insurance and Real Estate last week presented the first "Teacher of the Month" award to Elba High School band director Shaun Hammonds. Hammonds won the award for August 2018. Pictured above with the two men are several of Hammonds band students.

Local insurance company starts "Teacher of the Month" program

Southeast Insurance and Real Estate started a program this school year to recognize teachers for excellence in the classroom.

Each month, the local insurance company is selecting one teacher from the local area to be the "Teacher of the Month" and this comes from community nominations.

Teachers are nominated on the Southeast Insurance and Real Estate Facebook

page. Those nominating a teacher they feel deserves this special recognition should provide the teacher's name and school, grade he/she teaches, and also provide a reason as to why you are voting for the teacher.

From all the nominations each month, a winner is drawn the last week of the month. Multiple nominations equates to multiple chances to win.

The winner is awarded a

\$25 gift card purchased by Southeast Insurance and Real Estate from a local business, which is also insured by the company.

Winners from each month will go into a drawing to be held in May 2019 for a Teacher of the Year, and that teacher will be given a gift basket full of prizes from local businesses from the area.

Ronnie Young, owner of Southeast Insurance and Real Estate said, "This is a

way for us to show appreciation to our clients for their business and more importantly to our area teachers for their dedication and hard work throughout the school year. We wanted them to know that we support all they do and maybe brighten their month just a little."

The first teacher to win this award is Shaun Hammonds, band director and coach at Elba High School. Hammonds received his award last week as the Teacher of the Month for August 2018.

*** See Page 7 for additional information on Mr. Hammonds and his career.*

Attorney General Marshall says HEDA agrees to cease illegal gambling operations at Center Stage

Attorney General Steve Marshall announced last week that the Houston Economic Development Association ("HEDA")—a non-profit organization in Houston County—has agreed to cease its illegal gambling operations at Center Stage.

The agreement stems from a lawsuit filed by Marshall against the casino and the Houston County Commission in October of last year. The resolution of the Houston County case by Attorney General Marshall is the second of these cases to successfully curb illegal gambling operations.

On October 26, 2017, the Morgan County Circuit Court sided with the State

when it ordered River City Entertainment to shutter its doors, enjoining their illegal activity.

Now in Houston County, HEDA must immediately remove all illegal table games from the facility, remove all illegal electronic games of chance by the end of the month, and only offer the game of bingo that is legal under the laws of Alabama.

"It is my duty as Attorney General to enforce Alabama's laws and to prevent individuals and organizations from offering illegal gambling in our state," said Attorney General Steve Marshall.

"As a result of the State's suit, HEDA has agreed to remove the games in ques-

tion and has agreed to change its operations to comply with the law."

AG announces indictment of attorney on charges of Medicaid fraud, theft

Attorney General Steve Marshall announced the arrest of a former counselor on charges that she defrauded the Alabama Medicaid Agency.

Yvonne Bradford-Porterfield, age 61, a former resident of Troy, Ala., surrendered last week at the Montgomery County Detention Facility and was released on a \$10,000 bond.

Marshall's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit presented evidence to a Montgomery County grand jury resulting in Bradford-Porterfield's indictment in April of 2017. Specifically, the indictment charges her with one count of Medicaid fraud and one count of first-degree theft of property. She

has resided out-of-state since before the indictment was returned against her.

Medicaid Fraud Control Unit investigated the case after it was referred from the Alabama Medicaid Agency's Program Integrity Division. It is alleged that, while Bradford-Porterfield owned Because We Care Counseling Service in Troy, she submitted claims to the Medicaid Agency for counseling sessions for at-risk youth that never occurred, receiving over \$11,000 in improper payments.

No further information about the investigation or about Bradford-Porterfield's alleged crimes other than that stated in the indictment may be released at this time.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Sept. 3, investigated the following incidents: two for criminal mischief, one for behavior issues, one for unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle, one for leaving the scene of an accident, two for disorderly conduct, one for possession of an unknown substance, one for an unknown fire, one for theft of property, two for found property, one domestic incident, one resisting arrest, one terrorist threats, and one harassing communications.

Arrests made during the week included: one for arrest on warrants, four for failure to appear, two for disorderly conduct, one for terrorist threats, and one for resisting arrest.

There were four traffic citations and 11 traffic warnings issued by Elba Police officers during the timeframe of Sept. 3rd-Sept. 9th.

MONDAY, SEPT. 3 –

Spoke with individual wanting some pipes on his property fingerprinted (9:22 a.m.); Met with individual regarding an unruly juvenile (12:58 p.m.); Spoke with an individual regarding a stolen post on his property (7:30 p.m.); Spoke with an individual regarding a combative juvenile (9:50 p.m.).

TUESDAY, SEPT. 4 – Report of a possible past breaking and entering on Buford St (4:00 a.m.); Two-vehicle wreck at intersection of Simmons and Adkinson – Haynes Ambulance and Elba Fire Dept. dispatched also (10:02 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to set up landing zone at airport for Haynes Ambulance – person possibly having a heart attack (11:11 a.m.); Report of an alarm at Elba Zion Missionary Baptist Church on Newton St – accidentally set off by pest control company (3:20 p.m.); Report of screaming coming from the trailer

park on Powell Circle (8:06 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5 – Report of a possible stolen debit card (10:56 a.m.); Report of a suspicious vehicle on County Rd 104 (12:15 p.m.); Single vehicle accident reported on Factory Ave – no injuries (5:54 p.m.); Report of female beating on glass at the Dollar General on Hwy 203 – one arrest made for disorderly conduct (7:44 p.m.).

THURSDAY, SEPT. 6 – Suspicious activity reported on Reese Ave (9:26 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported on County Rd 401 (8:46 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a structure fire at 895 N Claxton Ave (10:20 a.m.).

FRIDAY, SEPT. 7 – Report of a fire at the Laundromat next to the Inland store – washing machine on fire (6:33 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the fire at the Laundromat (6:34 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to assist Haynes Ambulance in making entry on a medical call at 13959 Hwy 84 (11:32 a.m.); Verbal dispute on Old Samson Rd (5:51 p.m.); Single vehicle accident (hit deer) on Hwy 84 (6:17 p.m.).

SATURDAY, SEPT. 8 – Two-vehicle wreck reported on Claxton Ave by the Evergreen Cemetery – one injury reported (7:45 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the wreck on Claxton Ave (7:46 a.m.); Animal cruelty complaint at a residence on Plant Ave (10:04 a.m.); Report of past breaking and entering on Buford St – caller advised window was broken and money had been stolen (7:55 p.m.); Report of a

possible domestic disturbance on Jackson St (8:25 p.m.).

SUNDAY, SEPT. 9 – Snake reported in the Elba Nursing Home – it was removed and released safely (12:04 a.m.); Report of a person refusing to exit a vehicle at the Elba Travel Center (6:51 a.m.); Two-vehicle wreck reported at the Marathon store on Claxton Ave – no injuries (12:00 noon).

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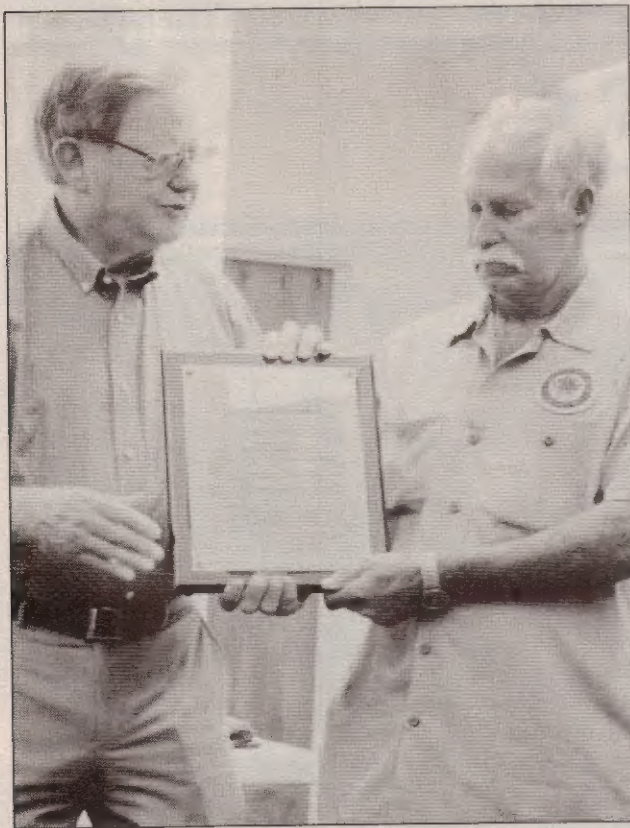
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RETIREMENT RECOGNITION...The City of Elba honored longtime street department employee Danny Williams (right) on the occasion of his retirement during a ceremony Wednesday morning, Aug. 29th. Mayor Mickey Murdock (left) presented a plaque to Williams in thanks for his 26 years of dedicated service and devotion of duty to the city. Murdock said Williams had been a conscientious and trustworthy employee, and, as mayor, he sincerely appreciated Williams' outstanding performance.

Elba BOE plans hearings for the FY 2019 budget

The Elba City School Board will conduct its first annual Budget Hearing for the Elba City School System on Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018 at 12 noon.

This Fiscal Year 2019 budget hearing will be held at the Central Office, 131 Tiger Drive, Elba, Ala.

The second required hearing will be held Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018, at the regular monthly board meeting, at 5:30 pm, also at the Central Office on 131 Tiger Drive, Elba, Alabama.

Elba Chamber Banquet
Thursday, Sept. 27
6:30 p.m.

Speaker:
Governor Kay Ivey

Tickets must be purchased in advance!

Coffee County Commissioners approve Fiscal Year 2019 budget

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission passed its operating budget for Fiscal Year 2019 during its regular meeting Monday morning, Sept. 10, in New Brockton.

Commissioners had been meeting for several weeks with department heads to discuss the proposed budget, and county administrator Rod Morgan presented it Monday morning for commissioners to approve.

The Fiscal Year 2019 budget for the county is increasing by 3.55 percent over the current year budget. The total budgeted expenditures for the year estimated to be \$22,248,152.97.

The 2018 budget was \$21,485,946.08.

Morgan noted the new budget does include a two percent cost of living adjustment for all county employees. Also, he said the budget includes a five percent increase in health insurance costs, but he said the county would be absorbing that increase to keep it from affecting the employees' part.

Of the \$22,248,152.97 budgeted, the general fund budget is \$9,478,350.63. The next largest budget is the highway department at \$3,343,343, followed by the landfill at \$3,052,194. Other budgeted items include: roll off budget is \$1,716,799.64; mapping and appraisal at \$1,034,840; solid waste at \$917,024.30; RRR projects at \$730,840; debt service at \$637,154; engineering at \$596,450; environmental services at \$367,479.40; senior centers at \$228,401; and tire processing at \$145,277.

The proposed budget passed by a unanimous vote of commissioners.

'Open House' event set for Friday, Sept. 21, at old Coffee County Jail building in Elba

The historic Coffee County Jail, located on Putnam Street in downtown Elba next to the Elba Chamber of Commerce, is a landmark filled with history.

A historic committee in Elba has been working for quite some time to preserve the landmark and generate ways to keep the building an active part of the community. With that in mind, an Open House event will be held Friday, Sept. 21, from 2-4 p.m. at the old Coffee County Jail.

This is the same day Elba will be celebrating Homecoming at the high school; therefore, the event organizers felt this day would be appropriate to the open house in conjunction. The public is invited to

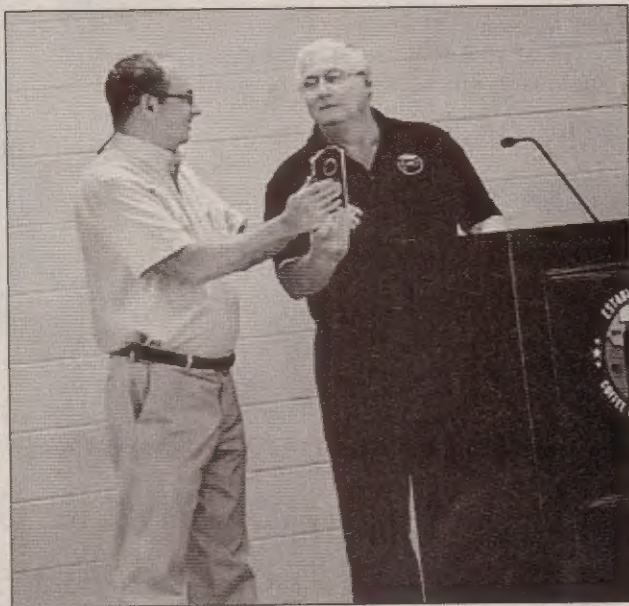
tour the jail and see the progress that already has been made towards saving the historic building.

Mike Russell's Construction Company has cleaned the facility as a gift to the city. This took the building back to its original structure built in 1912.

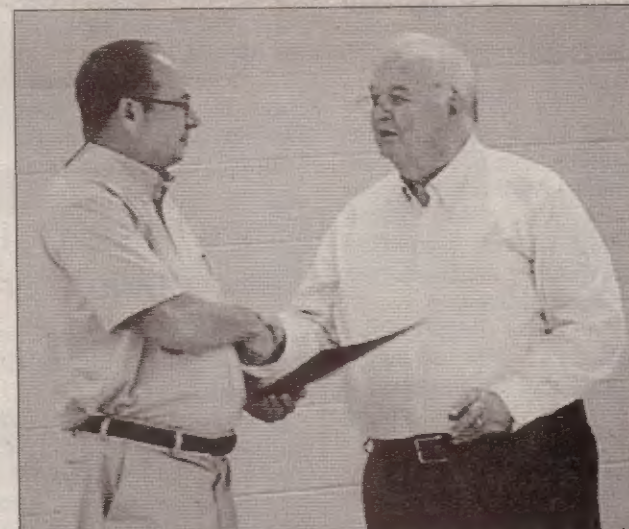
Grant funds also made it possible to cover the building's window openings.

Officials said a second grant has been applied for and plans are to use those funds to replace the building's roof. Plans also include keeping the building in shape for it to be available for walking tours in the future.

SHARE YOUR VIEWS - WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Coffee County Commission chairman Dean Smith presents county engineer Randy Tindell with a plaque during Monday's meeting. Tindell's career was celebrated during the meeting as he prepares to retire on Oct. 1st. He has been with Coffee County for more than 27 years.



RETIRING COFFEE COUNTY ENGINEER RANDY TINDELL received several accolades Monday morning, Sept. 10, during the Coffee County Commission meeting. Tindell is retiring as Coffee County's engineer after more than 27 years of service to the county. His official retirement date is Oct. 1, 2018. Other than Coffee County Commissioners, Tindell's career was celebrated Monday morning by comments from Senator Jimmy Holley - who also presented Tindell with a resolution from the Alabama Legislature thanking him for his many years of service (photo above); Association of County Commissions (ACCA) executive director Sonny Brasfield; former ACCA executive director Buddy Sharpless; and former Coffee County engineer Mark Poole. Each had only high remarks to make regarding Tindell and the career he has had with Coffee County. Many of the comments including saying that Tindell is one of the top engineers in the State of Alabama. Tindell thanked all for their support of him, but said he could not have done the things he had done without his employees. He said they are top notch.

GREGORY LARMAR STOKES

Mr. Gregory Lamar Stokes, age 55, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, Sept. 6, 2018, at his home.

Funeral services were held Sept. 11, 2018 from Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Larry Mills officiating. Burial followed in the Babbie Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Stokes was preceded in death by two brothers, Brad Stokes and Jimmy Harold Stokes, along with his stepfather, Roy Lee Creech.

Survivors include his sons: Gregory Scotty Stokes, Kinston, Ala., Daniel Lee Maynard, Tulsa, Okla., Michael Brent Stokes, Elba, and Phillip Adkinson, Dothan, Ala.; daughters: Tiffany Danielle Benson, New Brockton, Ala., Tiffany Benton, Dothan; his father: Winston Lamar Stokes Sr., Opp, Ala.; step-mother: Louise Stokes, Opp; mother: Lou Emma Creech, Elba; sister: Bridget Amanda Young, Elba; brothers: Derwin L. Stokes and Mark L. Stokes, both of Elba, Lamar Stokes and Robby James Stokes, both of Opp; and eight grandchildren.

JAMES RANDALL WOOD

Mr. James Randall Wood, age 82, of Enterprise, Ala., died Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018, in Enterprise.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 11 a.m., at Goodman Assembly of God Church with Rev. Charles Jones and Rev. Wayne Adams officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Goodman Assembly of God Cemetery Fund.

Mr. Wood was preceded in death by 12 brothers and sisters.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years: Elaine Wood, Enterprise; two sons: Lamar Spud Wood (Jackie), New Brockton, Ala., Tony D. Wood, Enterprise; five grandchildren: Lesley Maciel (Chris) and Blake Wood (Mallory), both of Enterprise, Lance Wood (Jennifer) and Chasity Thomas (J B), both of New Brockton, Ryan Wood, Samson, Ala.; six great-grandchildren: Griffin Wood, Ava Maciel, Emma Maciel, Brantley Thomas, Emmalyn Wood, and Grayson Thomas.

JERRY GRIMES

Mr. Jerry Grimes, age 56, of New Brockton, Ala., died Thursday, Sept. 6, 2018, at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held Sept. 10, 2018 at Jack Assembly of God Church with Rev. Joel Snell offici-

ating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mr. Grimes was preceded in death by his parents, Eldridge and Rennie Grimes; and a sister, Reynelle Grimes Kilpatrick.

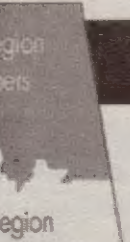
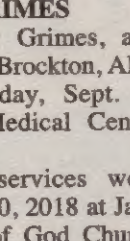
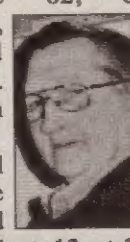
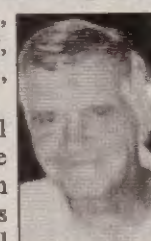
Survivors include four sisters: Lula Mae Parker (Jimmy) Spring Hill, Ala., Barbara Gonzalez (Juan) Geneva, Ala., Brenda Grimes and Trina Grimes, both of New Brockton; brother: Mark Grimes, Jack, Ala.

MELVIN GUSTAV HENRY DIERKSHEIDE

Mr. Melvin Gustav Henry Dierksheide, age 78, of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018, at his home.

Funeral services were held from Hayes Funeral Home Chapel on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 11 a.m., with Rev. Steve Watson officiating. Burial services followed in the New Haven Baptist Church Cemetery. Contributions may be made in honor of Melvin to the charity of choice.

Survivors include his sons: Robin Otto (Norma) Dierksheide, and Caleb Morgan (Jade) Dierksheide, all of Elba, David Ralph (Kelly) Dierksheide, Huntsville, Texas; daughters: Fawn Jamie Smith, Pensacola, Fla., Theresa Emma (Jim) Frazier, Huntsville, Texas; brothers: Carl (Barb) Dierksheide, Brandon, Ohio, Daniel (Linda) Dierksheide, Pa., and Tim Abke, Columbus, Ohio; sister: Janet (Lee) Pollard, Sheffield, Ala.; special friend: Jennifer Dunn Petty; 25 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



AARON TIDWELL

Mr. Aaron Tidwell, age 69, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Monday, Sept. 10, 2018, at his home.

Funeral arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba.

CORKEY RICHARDS

Mr. Corkey Richards, age 57, of Jack, Ala., died Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2018, in a Birmingham rehabilitation center.

Elba's Local Foods, Local Places outreach meeting planned for Sept. 18 & Sept. 19

Elba was a recipient of an EPA "Local Foods Local Places" grant.

This grant allows the EPA and other federal, state, and local officials to identify how locally produced food can help grow and improve communities, especially downtown Elba, and develop an action plan to implement those strategies.

As part of the Local Food Local Places initiative, the community is invited to the outreach meetings on September 18 and September 19 in Elba at the food bank located at the Elba Church of Christ on the Troy Highway in Elba. This is a great opportunity for citizens of Elba and Coffee County have input and share their thoughts and ideas on how locally grown and produced food can improve their community.

Please help spread the word about these meetings and encourage others to attend.

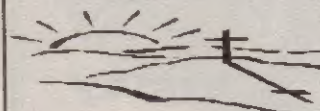
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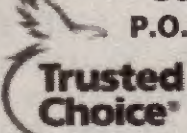
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LIFESTYLES

Coffee County Arts Alliance opens 2018-2019 season with free event this Sunday, Sept. 16th

The Coffee County Arts Alliance and Center Drugs & Home Health present the free season opener and silent auction for the Coffee County Arts Alliance's 2018-2019 season on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 2 p.m. This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Enterprise State Community College.

All are invited to enjoy performances by Rick and Vicky Ohlson, Bryson Storey, and Roscoe Kahumoku, as well as, bid on items donated by artists from the Piney Woods Arts Festival including pottery, paintings, jewelry, and many other items.

Rick and Vicky Ohlson are husband and wife amateur musicians with strong ties to the Wiregrass.

Vicky grew up in Daleville, graduated from Enterprise State Community College, and went on to earn a PhD in mathematics from Auburn University. She is currently director of special projects for the Alabama Community College System and served for nearly two years as interim president at ESCC.

Rick is retired now but spent 22 years as an Air Force officer, then 14 years as a computer science instructor.

The two are affiliate members of Enterprise First United Methodist Church where they volunteer in the music program. Rick says he is 'the Great Pretender' at playing bass guitar, rhythm guitar, drums, and several other musical instruments. His first love is singing country music.



Performers at this Sunday's Coffee County Arts Alliance event will be Bryson Storey (above), Rick and Vicky Ohlson (top right), and Roscoe Kahumoku (right). They are planning a variety of music to entertain those in attendance.

Vicky plays piano/keyboard and occasionally can be convinced to sing backup with her husband.

The two enjoy jamming with other musicians and frequently play with the band Reborn Harmony out of Wetumpka, Ala.

During Sunday afternoon's Coffee County Arts Alliance event, the Ohlsons plan to sing/play: *The Old Rugged Cross*, *You Were Always on My Mind*, *The Battle of Jericho*, and *Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy*.

Bryson Storey is 14-years-old and is a freshman at Enterprise High School. He enjoys playing multiple instruments and sings a mixture of Contemporary Christian, Southern Rock and Country selections.

Bryson is a current member of the Enterprise High School FFA String Band. He was chosen as the solo competition winner at the Tallahassee Capital City



Classic in January and also was honored to be selected as a member of the Alabama All-State Choir for 2018.

Bryson is a member of the youth praise band at his home church, St. Luke UMC, and enjoys leading worship with their group. In his spare time, Bryson enjoys blacksmithing, water skiing and fishing.

Bryson is planning to perform the following songs on Sunday: *That's Alright/Folsom Prison Blues* medley, *Ain't No Sunshine*, *I'll Fly Away/Just A Closer Walk with Thee* medley, and *Wagon Wheel*.

Roscoe Kahumoku was born and raised in Hawaii. He learned how to sing and dance as a keiki (child).

Roscoe said he was captivated by pop music and rock and roll, and he was a member of the Aiea High School Swinging Singers, Concert Band, and Rock Band.

Roscoe also was a member of Honolulu Opera production of the Gypsy Baron. He said he danced with the Noelani Dancers out of San Antonio Texas.

He also is part of a church ministry that fellowships and entertain patients at the local nursing home.

As a native Hawaiian, Roscoe brings the spirit of aloha with every song he performs.

His song list for Sunday's event includes: *Pupu Hinu Hinu*, *Lei PiKake*, *Summer Lady*, *Chain Gang*, and *Cry to Me*.

LIFESTYLES
NEWS
DUE MONDAY



GOLD CITY WILL BE IN CONCERT at Country Cathedral on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 7 p.m. There is no admission charge, however a love offering will be received. The church is located on U. S. Hwy. 84 West, five miles East of Opp, Ala.

County Conservation board meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 13th

Coffee County Conservation District will be holding its monthly board meeting Thursday, Sept. 13, at 10 a.m.

The board will be meeting at 1155 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Ala.



Dr. Sam Self

Pastor Sam Self announced to be guest speaker at Oct. 6th program

The Harvest is planning a Tailgate Supper event Saturday, Oct. 6, at the Dale County Ag-Plex Arena in Ozark, Ala., and Basin Baptist Church pastor Dr. Sam Self is set to be the Evangelical Speaker.

The event begins at 6 p.m. and is for all ages. Worship will be led by Christian, country group Summit Trace.

RWCC meeting is next Wednesday

The Republican Women of Coffee County will meet Wednesday, Sept. 19, at the Enterprise Country Club.

Guest speakers will be District 2 State School Board candidate Tracie West and District 5 Coffee County School Board candidate Brandi Carr. There will also be a presentation from Melissa Braun, Wiregrass Emergency Pregnancy Services.

Social time is at 11 am; optional buffet at 11:30; business conducted at 11:45; and program at noon.

Everyone is invited, but reservations are necessary. RSVP by calling Jan White at 494-3763 or email: rwccreservations@gmail.com.



Sharon and Robert Ward

Robert and Sharon Ward mark 50 years of marriage

Robert and Sharon Ward celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 1st. The event was very low key, an extension of how the couple lives their life.

Robert and the former Sharon Hamm have made their home in Elba for most of those years, after first

setting up housekeeping in Birmingham, AL.

They are the parents of two children, Shea (Brian) Barnett of Highpoint, NC and son Ryan who remains in Elba with his parents. They also have three delightful grandchildren, Lucy Kate, Sullivan and Hayes Barnett.

Elba's Class of 1978 plans 40th class reunion for Sept. 21st-22nd

The Elba High School Class of 1978 will celebrate its 40th class reunion during Homecoming activities Sept. 21-22, 2018 in Elba.

Local classmates are planning the activities for the weekend celebration and help is needed to ensure all classmates and friends of the Class of 1978 are aware of the plans. An Elba High School Class of 1978 Facebook page has been developed and all of the plans and activities have been outlined on this page.

Information has been mailed to those classmates and friends who do not have a Facebook account.

Extra efforts are being made to include those who did not actually graduate with the class in 1978 but who attended Elba City Schools with the class during their time in school. If you are or know of a classmate who has not been contacted, or if more information is needed about the 40th class reunion, contact Melanie Rainer Bledsoe at 334-300-8482, or Lynn Hudson Baker at 334-301-6594.

NAACP of Covington County plans meeting for Saturday, Sept. 15th

There will be a meeting of the NAACP of Covington County, Opp, Ala., at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 5 p.m.

Aaron Boge is the interim president.

Those interested in joining are asked to pay \$10 down on their membership, and pay the rest later.

Boge said there are enough members to become a charter of the NAACP. He also said a meeting is scheduled with the Black Lives Matter organization later this month.

Boge said the first thing on the organization's agenda is to get on the state school board's agenda with a petition regarding the Opp City School System.

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CHURCH NEWS

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WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Fall

Without a doubt Fall is my favorite time of year. The leaves are beginning to change colors, football season has arrived and hunting seasons are beginning to open. It just doesn't get any better than that.

When I was growing up, Saturdays in the Fall meant 1 of 2 things. For one side of my family Saturdays were reserved for Alabama football and I spent many of them in Birmingham's Legion field, or Bryant Denny Stadium in Tuscaloosa. I watched "Bear" Bryant roam the sidelines and saw players like Johnny Musso, Ozzie Newsome, Tony Nathan, Richard Todd, Bob Bomhauer and Don McNeal play for the Crimson Tide.

There's nothing quite like the sights, sounds, and smells of a college game day. People from many different walks of life come together as one, to cheer for their beloved Crimson Tide. Some of my fondest memories revolve around those Saturdays.

For the other side of my family Saturdays meant hunting of some kind. I've spent many Saturday's in a dove field laughing and talking. There have been many spent quietly in an oak flat watching for squirrels or in a deer stand hoping for a big buck to step out.

There's nothing quite like the smell of gun powder in the air as you watch a dove fall or the crunch in the leaves as a deer approaches. People from different walks of life come together as one as they stand around the trucks or sit around the camp house and tell stories about their beloved time in the woods.

No matter what is your favorite time of year, or the reasons why; As vivid as the colors of fall may be or as sweet as our treasured memories may be, none of them can compare to our heavenly home.

1 Corinthians 13:12 says: "For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known." It's hard for me to believe that there could be much of anything better than Saturday's in the Fall, but I know they can't hold a candle to heaven. I've got my ticket and my license has been paid for. I'm ready to go, are you?

Area revival underway at Mt. Olive Baptist Church on Tuesday nights

Mt. Olive Baptist Church continues it's annual area revival on Tuesday nights through Oct. 2nd. The services are at 7 p.m. each Tuesday night at Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

The remaining schedule and lead church for each evening is as follows:

Sept. 18th - Friendship Holiness Church, Rev. Edward Drake

Sept. 25th - New Ebenezer Baptist Church, Rev. Randall Pearson

Oct. 2nd - Mt. Vernon Assembly of God Church, Rev. Lloyd D. Snellgrove

Mt. Olive Baptist Church is located at 7980 Hwy. 141 in the Pine Level Community of Coffee County. Everyone is invited to attend these Tuesday night revival services.

Steve Reneau steps into pulpit at Elba United Methodist Church

Reverend Steve Reneau has been named pastor of the Elba United Methodist Church.

Reneau is a native of Wetumpka, Ala., and grew up at First United Methodist Church of Wetumpka. He received his Bachelor's degree in both religion and philosophy from Birmingham-Southern College in 2008. While at BSC, he served on staff at Yielding Chapel, was Chaplain and President of Sigma Nu Fraternity, travelled to the British Isles to study the history of the Methodist Movement, travelled Turkey, Greece, and Italy to study the life and writes of the Apostle Paul.

He received his Master of Divinity from the Candler School of Theology at Emory University in 2011.

He is an ordained Elder in Alabama-West Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Prior to assignment at Elba, Steve was the Pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church in Phenix City, Ala.

He serves the Annual Conference as a member of the Board of Pensions and Health Benefits, the Montgomery-Opelika District Committee on Ministry, Vice-President of the Emory Alumni Conference Club, and as a

Pleasant Shade M.B. Church announces plans for Pastor's Anniversary program

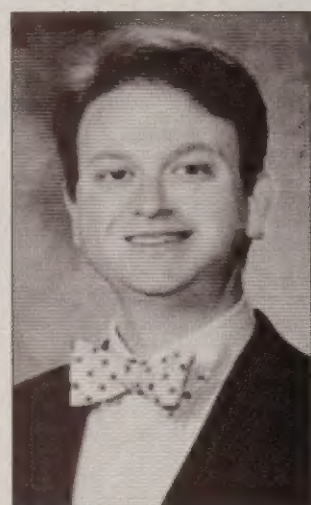
Pleasant Shade Missionary Baptist Church, located at 1891 Damascus Rd, Enterprise, Ala., where Rev. E. Steven Richardson is the pastor, will host its annual pastor's anniversary on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 2:30 p.m.

The guest preacher will be Rev. Kevin Griffin, pastor of Pleasant Grove

PASTOR NEEDED.

Praise & Glory Worship Center, 419 S John St., New Brockton, is looking for a Pastor. If you are looking for a church and would like to apply, contact Janet Berry at 334-282-2277.

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Rev. Steve Reneau

member of the Board of Directors of Birmingham-Southern College.

Steve is married to Olivia Poole, who is a graduate of Auburn University and the Candler School of Theology at Emory University. She also is an ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church, and serves as the Pastor of St. Luke United Methodist Church in Enterprise, Ala.

Olivia is currently finishing her Doctors of Ministry at Duke University.

Steve and Olivia have a one-year-old son named Grantham Lawrence Poole Reneau.

Steve's hobbies include exercising, cooking, movies, and SEC football.

Missionary Baptist Church, Enterprise. The theme is "A Pastor after God's Heart," Jeremiah 17:16.

For more information, call the church office, (334) 347-5195.

New Chapel Baptist Church in Kinston announces upcoming Revival service

Revival services are planned at New Chapel Baptist Church, 3656 State Hwy 189, Kinston, from Wednesday, Sept. 19, through Sunday, Sept. 23rd.

The services from the 19th through the 22nd will begin at 6:30 p.m. each night while the Sunday service will begin at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served immediately following the

Round and About

With Eria's Daughter
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Scripture: Prayer for safe-keeping from wickedness [Psalm 141: 1-10]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Georgia Nelson, Emily Newmon, Betty Moore, Natalie Luckett, Dea. J.L. Williams, Michael Manning, Wendy Wood, Pastor RHMCB, Nicole Duncan

August Birthdays/Anniversaries

Calvin Tyson 8/14
Patsy Friends 8/15
Otis/Joyce Johnson 8/15 W.A.
Catheryn Carpenter 8/15
Rev/Mrs Tyrone Smith 8/15 W.A.
Walter Hardwick 8/16 (in memory)
Ree'-Nita Brooks 8/17
Missy Berry 8/17
Maxine S. Florence 8/18 (in memory)
Andrea Glover Potter 8/18
Isaac Nelson 8/18
Victori Edwards 8/18
Dea. J.L. Williams 8/20

** 106th Annual Session of the Mulberry Missionary Baptist Women Convention will convene at the Mulberry Missionary Baptist Educational Building, Hwy. 84, Elba, on Sept. 21-22.

The theme will be "Building Strong Christian Relationships in the Body of Christ" [Ephesians 2:14]. President is Sis. Alice Freney and Moderator is Dr. W.L. Peterson.

** Homecoming and

Sunday service.

Speaker for this revival will be Rev James McVay. Music will be provided by Derek Snellgrove on Wednesday, Jazmin Griggs on Thursday and Friday and Rod Propes on Saturday and Sunday.

Everyone is invited!! For more information call 334-892-4788.

Revival Services at Union Grove Baptist Church,

515 Coppenville Rd., Enterprise, will begin this weekend. Homecoming will be Sunday, Sept. 16, at 2:30 p.m. with speaker Rev. J.L. Boyde, pastor of Antioch Baptist Church in Newton, Ala. Revival services will be Monday, Sept. 17 - Thursday, Sept. 20, at 7 p.m. each night with speaker Superintendent LoEarl Flowers, New Philadelphia COGIC, Elba, and Greenville COGIC in Greenville, Ala.

Question / Answer Session

Q/A for the Week of 9-13-2018

Q: What two kings of the Amorites did Israel destroy? (Sihon-Og), (Solomon-Amraphel), (Arioch-Tidal)

A: The two kings that were destroyed were: Sihon-Og (read Deuteronomy 31: 4)

Thought to Remember

God never said the right thing would be easy

Question for the Week of 9-20-2018

Q: After God had fed the Israelites with manna, what were they to do? (offer sacrifices) or (bless the Lord)

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Praise and Glory Worship Center

welcomes guest speaker Sept. 16

Praise and Glory Worship Center, New Brockton, Ala., will welcome Kelvin Burks to speak Sunday, Sept. 16th.

Burks is pastor at Living Waters Christian Church in Opp, Ala.

Praise and Glory Worship Center is located at 419 S John St., in New Brockton.

Church News is due on Monday!

Church Directory

<p>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN</p> <p>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn, Sr. Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m. Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Tom Senn, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPT CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST Rev. Remonia Smith Church Service... 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH Larry Mills-Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH Diana White, Pastor Bible Study... 9:00 a.m. Fellowship... 9:45 a.m. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities)... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Dale Morgan-Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>EATON BAPTIST CHURCH Mark Ward, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Phillip Box, Minister Bible Study... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD Rev. David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m. Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY H.L. Buckner-Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m. Thur. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH Michael Woodham, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Services... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Phillip Adcock, Pastor Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH. Overseers - Bro Billy Berry Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Willie L. Peterson, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Michael Lawler Pastor Morn. Worship... 8:45 a.m.</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Shirley Ellis, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH Garry Winstead, Pastor Sunday School... 8:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 7:15 p.m.</p> <p>KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH Ben Posey, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service... 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Rev. Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays</p> <p>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH Olan Strickland-Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Kevin Byrd Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Cathedral of the Holy Spirit NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. Linda Williams, Pastor Sunday... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Even... 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE W. K. Ellison, Pastor. Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH Will Jordan, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Services 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW BROCKTON METHODIST Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Terry Godwin, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Bible Study... 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH Randall Pearson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Elder James Starks Jr - Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Bib Stud Wed... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Shane Thompson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HADEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Brad Sasser - Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH Bro. Lanny Shepard, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Lorearl Flowers, Minister Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p>	<p>OAK GROVE BAPT. CHURCH Rev. Eddie Ingram, Pastor 1st, 4th Sun. Morn. Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor - Lee Jones Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON Terry McCrummen Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PRASE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER Rev. Roy L. Turner, pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHADY GROVE AME Rev. James Boots, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Bro. Joe Farris, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Rockey Pearce, Pastor Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Noon Worship... 12:00 a.m. Even. Service... 7:00 p.m. Youth Ser. Mon... 7:00 p.m. Wed Bible Class... 7:00 p.m. Fri Missionary Ser... 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba Max Reed, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH Pastor Donald Mills Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH Donnie Marier, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:45 p.m. Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORY TABERNACLE Rev. Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Kenneth Hagler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Ronnie Stuckey, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Mike Medley - Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH John Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p>
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A Pre-Bid Conference will be conducted at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, September 13, 2018 at the Elba Armory, 348 Larkins Road, Elba, AL.

All bidders are strongly encouraged to attend. Any errors or omissions made as a result of not attending will not be grounds for additional compensation. **MARK A. WEEKS**, State Property and Disbursing Officer 9/6,13,20-chg

Red Cross urges blood donations to ensure diverse blood supply

The American Red Cross urges people of all races and ethnicities to give blood to help ensure a diverse blood supply for patients in need.

The vast majority of blood types fall into one of the major ABO groups. However, some blood types are unique to certain racial and ethnic groups, so a diverse blood supply is important to meeting the medical needs of an increasingly diverse patient population.

Twelve-year-old Braden Green required blood transfusions to treat complications from sickle cell disease. "It saved his life, that blood transfusion," said his mom, Brenda Green. "A blood donation can give a patient another chance at

life or an opportunity to get through the day."

Blood given to patients with rare blood types or those who need repeated transfusions for conditions such as sickle cell disease or thalassemia must be matched very closely. Patients are less likely to have complications from blood donated by someone with a similar racial or ethnic background.

All blood types are needed to ensure that the right blood product is available at the right time for all patients. Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

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Southeast Insurance and Real Estate's Ronnie Young (left) presents the August "Teacher of the Month" award to Elba's Shaun Hammonds (right).

Elba High band director named Southeast Insurance and Real Estate's "Teacher of the Month"

On Thursday, Sept. 6, band director and basketball coach Shaun Hammonds was named August "Teacher of the Month" by Ronnie Young and Southeast Insurance and Real Estate Inc.

Hammonds is in his third year back at Elba High School. In the short time he has been back, the Elba Marching Tiger Band received superior ratings at all marching contests, the "Best in Class" Band honor at Atown in 2017 and Opp in 2016, and high marks and scores during concert season. Hammonds also led the marching band to Chicago, Illinois earlier this year to participate in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

This school year Hammonds also will coach the Elba Lady Tigers basketball team. He had previously coached the girls basketball team, leading them to over 80 wins and a contender for the AHSAA Regional Tournament in Mobile, Ala., which was a first for Elba.

Mr. Hammonds is a 1998 graduate from Florala High School, where he was a part of many honor bands and won many awards as a musician and leader. He received his Associate's degree from Lurleen B. Wallace Community College in 2004. He transferred to Troy University, where he graduated with a Bachelor's degree in music education in 2007.

Geometry teacher uses Dance Dance Transversal to help educate her students

Most people think math class involves a lot of sitting and calculating. One Elba High School teacher, Ashley Bailey, thinks math can be fun to learn.

In her 10th grade advanced geometry class this week, Bailey had students doing the Dance Dance Transversal.

Dance Dance Transversal connects the game Dance Dance Revolution with the concept of two parallel lines cut by a transversal. This activity is a fun, movement-based activity that helps students remember

the transversal angle rules and assesses their knowledge.

Students move to the music while putting their feet on the correct angle types, which creates the dancing. Bailey likes this activity because it increases student involvement and allows for the whole class to participate.

Support Elba Recreation with purchase of pizza

Now through the end of October, supporters of the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation can help Elba's youth sports simply by eating pizza!

Purchase a pizza at the Elba Citgo convenience store and take the receipt to the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, located on Claxton Avenue. All pizza receipts from now until the end of October from Elba Citgo gets \$1

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ELBA SCHOOLS HAPPENINGS

- **Thursday, Sept. 13** - Elba host Carroll in volleyball action at 4 p.m.
- **Friday, Sept. 14** - Elba travels to Kinston in football action at 7 p.m.
- **Monday, Sept. 17** - Elba volleyball at Opp for Tri-Match at 4 p.m.
- **Monday, Sept. 17** - Elba JV football travels to Arton at 6 p.m.
- **Thursday, Sept. 20** - Elba High School Homecoming Bonfire at 7 p.m. on school campus
- **Friday, Sept. 21** - Elba High School Homecoming with Coronation/Pep Rally at 9 a.m. at Tiger Stadium; Honored Class Tea for Class of 1988 at 1 p.m.; Homecoming Parade at 3 p.m. in downtown Elba; Homecoming Football game at 7 p.m.



ELBA HIGH SCHOOL'S 2018 HOMECOMING COURT was announced Friday, Aug. 31, at the school's first pep rally for the year. The following girls were named to Homecoming Court this year: Celeste Edwards - freshman attendant, EHS cheerleader Tia Germany - sophomore attendant, Zaida Williams - junior attendant, and seniors Chanlyn Free, Sandra Lindsey, and A'Quandri Roberson were named senior attendants (not pictured: Chanlyn Free). Voting for Homecoming Queen will occur at a later date. Elba High School's Homecoming will be Friday, Sept. 21, this year.

Elba High School's morning news program goes digital

In previous years, Elba High School students received their morning news by the intercom.

This year, however, there is a more interactive way to get the news. EHS's Morning Announcements is a digital video file of the latest news, sent to teachers

so they can show students on their projectors. Introducing the morning announcements are student volunteers, like Izaiah Johnson.

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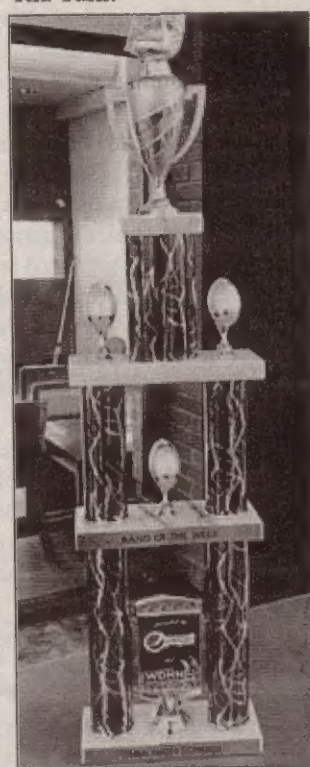


Izaiah Johnson

why he likes doing the morning announcements, Johnson replied, "I like that it's entertaining to the other students. It's really fun!"

EHS Morning

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EHS Marching Band Brings Home First Trophy of the School Year

The Elba High School Marching Band was awarded the Pepsi and WDHN 'Band of the Week' on Wednesday, Aug. 29th.

Each week during the high school football season WDHN, sponsored by Pepsi, allows viewers to vote for their favorite marching band for that week.

Once Friday night football has finished, viewers log on to WDHN's facebook page to vote and can continue to vote throughout the weekend.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

5 | RICHMON SINGLETARY | RB

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RICHMAN SINGLETARY AWARDED ALFA'S PLAYER OF THE WEEK... Elba High School senior Richman Singletary was named Alfa's 'Player of the Week' Thursday, Sept. 6th. In the first week of football, Singletary rushed for 144 yards, made eight tackles and one interception, and made three total touchdowns against Opp.



THE ELBA PARKS AND RECREATION YOUTH FOOTBALL entered its season schedule this past Saturday, Sept. 8, at home. The Youth league Tigers hosted Harford at Elba's Tiger Stadium. The Tigers had previously competed Aug. 25th in a Jamboree event at Zion Chapel. The Elba Pee Wee Tigers are shown above in action last Saturday morning. The Pee Wee team opened the regular season with a big 42-0 win over Hartford! The Elba youth football teams travel this Saturday, Sept. 15, to Arton.

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SPORTS

Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

My little grandson Lawson celebrated his 8th birthday over the weekend with a party at the splash pad in Elba, and it was fun to watch my little man and his friends get wet and run around the park. It seems like only days ago that we watched and wept as a helicopter from Children's Hospital carried a two-day old baby from a hospital in Montgomery to Birmingham, but eight years later that same baby is running and jumping and is a healthy second grader. We have all been so blessed over the last eight years to be a part of his life, and I can say without reservation that he is my heart.

For what it is worth...

*** *The Elba Tigers picked up win number two* last week with a 28-14 region victory over Pleasant Home and while many Tiger fans left the stadium shaking their heads over the closeness of the final score, it was a win on a very wet field, a long way from home, and one that should teach the players a lesson that they are going to get the best each and every week from every opponent on the schedule.

The Tigers fumbled the ball seven times on the soggy field and seemed to be spinning their wheels at times in the mud, but did sustain a couple of drives in the game and put enough points on the scoreboard to get a win. Elba had some crucial penalties that either stopped or slowed down what appeared to be successful possessions, and considering the condition of the field maybe the offense didn't play as bad as I originally thought.

Over on defense, the Tigers held Pleasant Home to zero first downs and minus two yards in total offense through three quarters, and was extremely active at the line of scrimmage. The Tigers never allowed anything close to a drive while the starters were on the field, came up with four turnovers and for the second straight week had a 'scoop six' that helped lead to the win.

The biggest challenge for the Tigers early in the season may be to not play down to the level of competition and to instead play at a level that they will need to be successful in the weeks to come against the meat of the schedule. Every team on the schedule has the Elba Tigers circled, and the sooner the players understand that the better off they will be in games in which they otherwise would have taken for granted as an easy win. Hey, the scoreboard will read 0-0 when the games start no matter the opponent and that means the Tigers will have to win the game on the field.

*** *It wasn't the best of weeks for the other teams* in the area as only one managed to post a win. Here is a quick look back....

* *Brantley opened region play with a sold 39-0 win* over Kinston. The Bulldogs scored early and often to open up a commanding first half lead and then let the youngsters get in on the action in a second half that had six minute quarters and a running clock. Brantley took a step forward in the win on both sides of the ball and reminded everyone that the road to a region title goes through the pound.

* *New Brockton remained winless and slipped to 0-3* on the season with a shocking 48-7 region loss at Luverne. The Gamecocks were expected to contend for a region title and all the news was optimistic prior to the season over at 'Brockton, but after three straight losses it is already time to regroup and reevaluate what is happening and get ready for a run to close the season.

* *Zion Chapel had high hopes* after claming a season opening win and was at home to kickoff region play against Goshen, but ran into a buzz saw in a week two 55-6 loss to the Eagles, and learned that what happened the week before has no impact on what will happen in the next game. The Rebels probably aren't as good as they thought after the week one win or as bad as they looked in the week two loss, and the key will be how they bounce back, put the loss in the past and move on.

* *Kinston enjoyed some success early* on offense in its 39-0 loss to Brantley, but when the Bulldogs failed to score on their initial possession much of the air left the Bulldogs balloon and the high hopes turned back into stark reality. The Bulldogs are much better than many teams in the past, but have to play their best to win against any team on their schedule and have to remain focused on the whole season and not let the first three weeks dictate the rest of the schedule.

*** *It was a wild week all across the state* with some upsets and some blowouts in all seven classes. Here's a look back at the week that was....

* *Class 1A* – Top-ranked Lanett defeated Wadley 33-15 and looked more like the tam that everyone expected, while #2 Maplesville hammered A.L. Johnson 70-6 and #3 Sweet Water remained winless after a 33-25 loss to St.

Luke's. Closer to home, Georgiana jumped out to a 35-7 lead and held on to edge Florala 35-28, Red Level snapped a long losing streak with a 12-6 win over McKenzie, and Linden thumped Keith 49-8.

* *Class 2A* – Top-ranked Fyffe ripped Section 56-0, #2 Luverne spanked New Brockton 48-7 and #3 Reeltown rolled over Fayetteville 48-0, while closer to home Geneva County shocked #6 Ariton 36-29 Daleville slipped to 0-2 with a 39-36 loss to Houston County, Samson blanked Calhoun 58-0, Leroy outscored R.C. Hatch 47-40, Abbeville routed Cottonwood 52-7, G.W. Long got in the win column with a 50-0 romp over Barbour County, and Highland Home soared to a 55-6 win over Central.

* *Class 3A* – Top-ranked Randolph County blanked Glencoe 41-0, #2 Saks blasted B.B. Comer 49-0 and #3 Piedmont outscored Pleasant Valley 46-21, while closer to home #7 Wicksburg was knocked off by Slocumb 14-13, Pike County whipped Houston Academy 39-7, Straughn slipped past Opp in overtime 36-30 and Providence Christian continued to flex its muscle with a solid 41-0 win over Geneva.

* *Class 4A* – Top-ranked UMS-Wright blanked Andalusia 17-0, #2 Hokes Bluff rolled past White Plains 34-8 and #3 Hillcrest Evergreen buried W.S. Neal 62-20, while closer to home #4 Dale County was blasted by Catholic 48-16, Headland hammered B.T. Washington 36-0 and Escambia County stopped Monroe County 54-0.

* *Class 5A* – Top-ranked Briarwood edged past Pleasant Grove 10-6, #2 Etowah rolled over Crossville 52-7 and #5 Wenonah blanked Woodlawn 34-0. Closer to home, unranked Greenville topped #6 Tallassee 40-21, Charles Henderson outscored Rehobeth 34-20 and Valley bounced back with a 41-20 win over Beauregard.

* *Class 6A* – Top-ranked Wetumpka outscored Chelsea 34-14, #2 Oxford thumped Pell City 33-0 and #3 Pinson Valley ripped Shades Valley 49-7, while closer to home Dothan lost to Park Crossing 32-15, Eufaula posted an impressive 28-7 win over Northview, and Carver of Montgomery dozed past Russell County 9-0.

* *Class 7A* – Top-ranked Thompson got shelled by #2 Hoover 45-26, #3 Central of Phenix City spanked Smiths Station 49-0 and #4 McGill-Toolen lost to West Monroe, Louisiana, 31-24, in overtime. Closer to home, Enterprise saw its two-game winning streak end in a 35-0 loss to Auburn and #8 Robert E. Lee downed Jeff Davis 25-10.

*** *The volleyball season is underway* and it has been an exciting start for some of the area teams as Elba has already clamed two wins in just two weeks of action, Kinston is off to its best start in years and has moved into the Top 10 in the statewide polls, New Brockton is improving by leaps and bounds and again appears to be a 2A power, Zion Chapel is just as good as ever, and Brantley seems to have its eye set on yet another state title on the girls side of the trophy case. Yep, the balls are bouncing and the courts are taking a beating in early-season action.

*** *Tickets were cheap* and even the most pessimistic fans had a smile their faces last weekend when it came to college football in the state as Alabama, Auburn and Troy all made it look easy against outmatched opponents. Alabama lit up the scoreboard early and rolled over an Arkansas State team 57-7 that was supposed to have at least a chance at of scoring a bunch of points, while Auburn never broke a sweat on a sunny day on the Plains in a 63-9 romp past Alabama State, and Troy put its foot on the gas early and never backed off in a 59-7 win over Florida A & M. It probably cost both the Crimson Tide and the Tigers somewhere around a million bucks to fill the stands and post their easy wins, while the Trojans got a discounted 'W' on their side of the ledger.

*** *Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator* dropped by earlier than usual over the weekend and declared he was tired of all the rain and was ready to watch a high school football game played on a dry field. The local guesspert hit on 24 of his 29 picks last week to improve his season totals to

56-16, and admitted that he had been a surprised by some of the area teams in early-season games. He said that was kept high school football the best ticket in town, and then dropped off this week's fearless forecast. Here goes....

ELBA VS. KINSTON

The Pea River felines will push the raft off the banks and head downstream toward the county line this weekend for a rare get together with a litter of pups that are hungry and at home in week three football action. The felines are hoping to get to run around on a dry field this week after getting muddy the last two weeks, but the pups have something else in mind and this one may be closer than many might think.

ELBA 33 KINSTON 15

NEW BROCKTON VS. CENTRAL

The roosters from over near the bypass are glad to be back at the coop this weekend since they have very few feathers left after three weeks of being chased around the yard. This week the roosters will invite a litter of hairy old cats to town for a Friday night party, but the only party here will be on the New Brockton sidelines.

NEW BROCKTON 55 CENTRAL 8

ZION CHAPEL VS. LUVERNE

It is out of the frying pan and into the fire this week for the troops from up at Fort Jack as they host a litter of kitties from across the county line that have their eyes set on winning a state championship. The troops will have their muskets loaded and will no doubt fire all the ammunition they have at the kitties, but this week it may not make any difference.

LUVERNE 48 ZION CHAPEL 0

BRANTLEY VS. FLORALA

The dogs from up across the river will head down near the state line this weekend looking to stay atop the standings and chase a litter of kitties back across the line. The dogs have been impressive since the season started and should have more than enough left after the long trip to keep their fans cheering.

BRANTLEY 32 FLORALA 12

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Gamecocks seek win#1

Tigers brace for battle with Bulldogs

The high school football season will continue its region battles this week with two area teams playing at home and three teams hitting the road.

Following are previews of this week's games:

Elba at Kinston

The (2-0) Elba Tigers will be looking to remain unbeaten and in a share of the region lead on Friday night when they head to Bulldog Stadium to battle the (0-2) Kinston Bulldogs.

Elba leads the all-time series 3-0 and claimed its last win over Kinston 48-6 way back in 1995.

The Tigers will enter the game with a 2-0 record after posting road wins over Opp 53-33 and Pleasant Home 28-14, and for the fourth time in the past six years have opened the season with two straight win, while the Bulldogs will carry an 0-2 slate into the match-up with losses to Samson 37-18 and Brantley 39-0, and for the third time in four seasons has opened a season 0-2.

"Kinston has a much better football team than its record indicates and I guarantee you they will be ready to play Friday night," said Elba Tiger head coach Pate Harrison. "The schools are just down the road from each other, and while they have played each other over the years in baseball, basketball, softball and volleyball, this will only be the third time they have ever met in football. You can bet the folks down in Kinston have had this date circled all summer and will be looking forward to taking their shot at the Elba Tigers."

"We found out first hand last week that we are going to get everyone's best shot," added Harrison, "and the same will be true this week. Kinston has one of the top quarter-backs in the region that can hurt you both running and passing, and also has some quality receivers and a couple of backs that run hard and have good speed. They have a big and strong line that can control the line of scrimmage,

and are really much, much better than their record shows. Over on defense they pursue the ball and love to hit the man with the ball. Again, they are big up front and try to dominate the line of scrimmage, and have linebackers that really get after it. Kinston is a solid, well coached football team on both sides of the ball and we expect a four quarter fight on Friday night."

"If we are going to bring home a win we will have to play our best game of the season on both sides of the ball and play with intensity every time the ball is snapped," said the first year Elba head coach. "We can't worry about field conditions if it is another rainy week and just have to get ready to play. On offense, we'll need to continue improving on moving the chains and being able to put drives together that result in points, and cut down on penalties that can push us behind the chains. Our line will be tested again by a physical bunch of guys, and have to react and take charge at the line of scrimmage. Over on defense we need to continue to improve in every area and play hard on every play. We improved last week on defense, and need to continue that trend this week because Kinston has a very good offensive plan and proved last week against a very good team from Brantley that it can sustain drives. It will be a test for us on defense, and we need to step up and pass the test on every play."

When asked about last week's 28-14 region win over Pleasant Home, Coach Harrison stated "It was a win on a very wet field against an opponent with a very good game plan, and while we didn't play our best, we did come away with an important region win on the road. We had some problems with our footing and getting control of a wet ball on offense and at times looked like we were spinning our wheels. We obviously had too many fumbles and too many penalties, but all the mistakes are those we can eliminate with hard work and practice, and we will eliminate them. The defense played hard and was in control for most the game, and was dominating at the line of scrimmage. We still have a lot of work to do, but it was a step forward on the defensive side."

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Elba Tiger Larry Burks (79) burts through a hole in the Pleasant Home offensive line and eyes the Eagle quarterback. The Tiger defense limited the Eagles to no first downs through three quarters in last week's win.



Elba Tiger Byron Johnson (12) spots a hole in the middle of the Pleasant Home defense and gets ready to take off. Johnson ran for one touchdown and threw for another in a 28-14 win over the Eagles.

Grabs first region win

Elba fights past Pleasant Home 28-14

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers kicked off region play last week with a hard fought 28-14 road win over the Pleasant Home Eagles.

The Tigers kicked off to open the game, regained possession at their own 35-yardline following an Eagle punt and immediately headed downfield behind the hard running of Richmon Singletary. Singletary rushed for 49 yards in five carries to help Elba reach a first down at the Pleasant Home 20-yardline. However, on fourth down back at the 26, a screen pass intended for Singletary was picked off by Brenden Douglas, who returned the interception 71 yards for an Eagle touchdown. The extra-point try was blocked, but with 6:57 left in the opening quarter Pleasant Home was on top 6-0.

Elba began its ensuing possession at its own 39-yardline and this time marched 61 yards in nine plays to erase the early Eagle advantage on the scoreboard. Byron Johnson had an 11-yard scamper during the long scoring drive, while Singletary was again the workhorse of the possession as he rushed for 51 yards on six carries and scored the Tiger touchdown on a 16-yard gallop. The extra-point try was blocked, but with 2:03 left in the quarter the Tigers had caught the Eagles at 6-6.

Four lost fumbles plagued the two region rivals on the game's next five offensive series.

However, the fourth turnover of the half enabled Elba to put points on the scoreboard as Alex Wright scooped up a Pleasant Home bobble and rambled 46 yards for a touchdown. Richmon Singletary ran in the two-point conversion, and with 9:29 remaining in the second quarter the Tigers were on top 14-6.

Elba began its next possession at the Pleasant Home 41-yardline after a 24-yard punt return by Singletary, and needed seven plays to cover the distance into the endzone. A 23-yard dash by Singletary on fourth down and six was a key play in the scoring drive, and while an apparent touchdown pass from Byron Johnson to Ja'Quez Prince was wiped off by a penalty flag, the flag only delayed the next Tiger touchdown as on the next play Johnson scrambled away from a pass rush and raced 17 yards into the endzone. Prince booted the extra-point to extend the Tigers lead to 21-6 with 1:36 left in the half.

Neither team was able to navigate its way into the endzone for much of the third quarter. However, a pass interception by Elba's Dezmon Roberson set the Tigers up at the Eagle 28-yardline late in the stanza, and on the first play of the possession the Tigers cashed in the turnover when Byron Johnson tossed a 28-yard td pass to Alex Wright on the final play of the stanza. Prince added the extra-point to put Elba on top 28-6 after three quarters of play.

The Pleasant Home offense had no first downs and minus two yards in

total offense over the game's initial three quarters, but came to life against the Elba reserves and after the ensuing kick-off went 59 yards in four plays to reach the endzone. A 16-yard pass from Jonathan Cooley to Joshua Ruth started the scoring drive, while Brenden Douglas ended the drive with a 9-yard touchdown run up the middle. Cooley ran in the two-point conversion as the Eagles pulled within 28-14 with 6:00 left in the game.

The Elba reserves remained on the field on the ensuing offensive series and ate up the final six minutes off the clock on an 11-play drive that reached the Pleasant Home 15-yardline. Kimdarius Hill gained 24 yards on two plays mid-

way through the drive to keep it alive, and at the final horn the Tigers had secured their first region win 28-14.

Richmon Singletary rushed for 136 yards and one touchdown on 15 carries to spark the Elba offense, while Byron Johnson added 28 yards and one td on just two carries and completed 4 of 10 passes for 58 yards and one touchdown. Alex Wright pulled in two passes for 38 yards and one score.

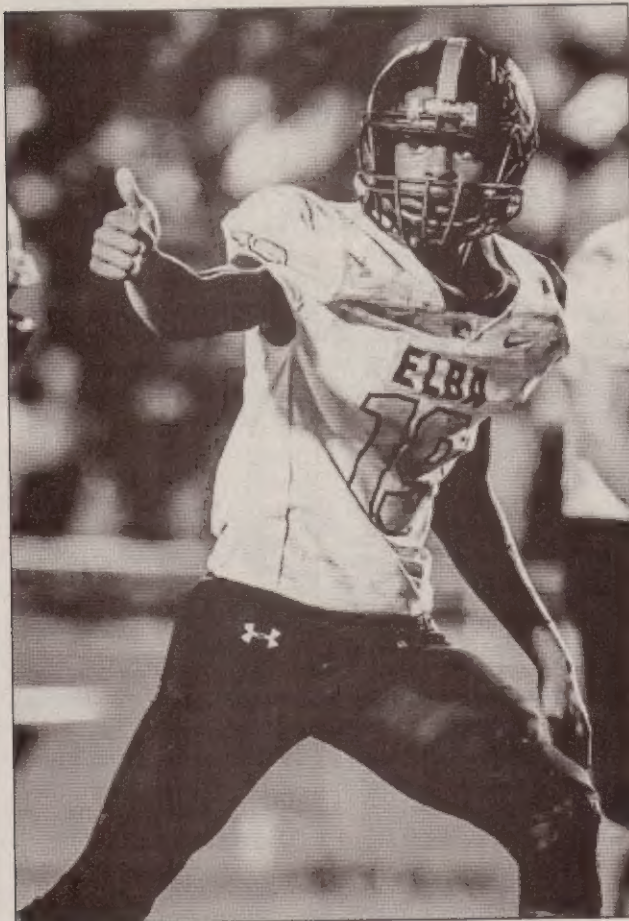
Joshua Ruth rushed for 21 yards on three carries and pulled in one pass for 16 yards to lead Pleasant Home, while Brenden Douglas accounted for both Eagles touchdowns on a 71-yard interception return and a 9-yard run.

The yardstick....

E		PH
13	1st Downs	3
32-223	Rushes-Yds.	13-40
58	Passing Yds.	16
281	Total Offense	56
4-11-1	Passes	1-9-2
7/2	Fumbles/Lost	5/2
0-00	Punts-Ave.	4-25
9-70	Penalties-Yds.	4-20



Elba Tiger Ja'Quez Prince (7) tries to pull away from an Eagle defender in last week's 28-14 region win over Pleasant Home.



Elba Tiger Dezmon Roberson (19) gives the thumb up to the sidelines during last week's 28-14 region win over Pleasant Home. The Tigers will travel to Kinston Friday night looking to remain atop the region standings.



Elba Marching Tiger Liza Rodriguez performs at halftime at last week's region game between the Elba Tigers and Pleasant Home Eagles.



Elba Tiger Terrence Green (9) knocks the football loose from a Pleasant Home runner in last week's 28-14 win over the Eagles as Tiger teammate Iverson Lane (3) closes in to help.

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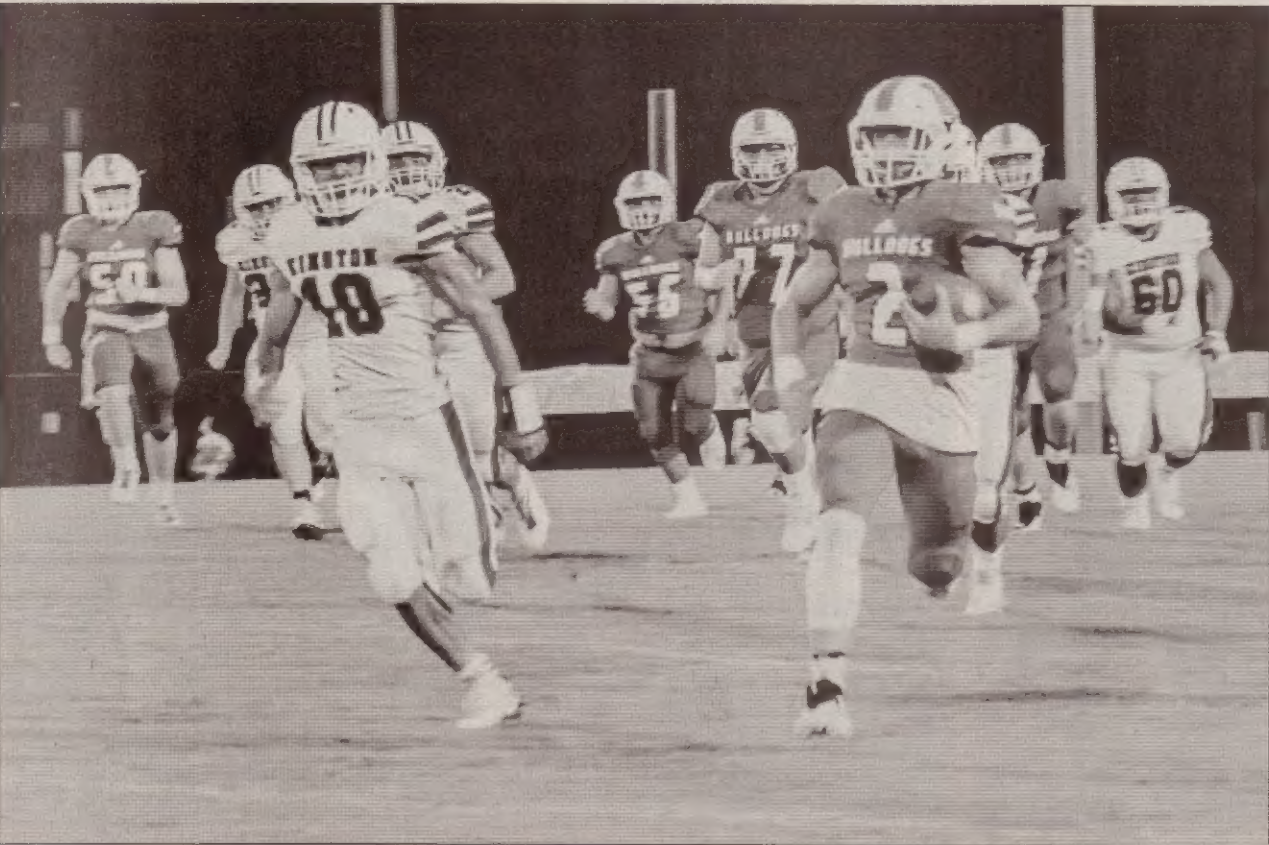
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SPORTS



Brantley Bulldog Parker Driggers (2) is off and running on a 78-yard touchdown run in early first quarter action in last week's 39-0 region win over Kinston. Trying to close in to make a stop is Kinston Bulldog Ausin Calhoun (10). Both teams stay in region action this week as Kinston hosts Elba and Brantley travels to Florida.

For region win Brantley blanks Bulldogs 39-0

By Greg Brunson
Photos by Janet Brunson

The Kinston Bulldogs traveled to Brantley on Friday night to open Class 1A, Region 2 action against the sixth-ranked Brantley Bulldogs and after failing to cash in a scoring threat early in the game never again challenged as the hometown Bulldogs rolled to a big 39-0 win.

Kinston took the opening kickoff and marched the ball down the field behind the strong right arm of Austin Calhoun. The drive, which consisted of 13 plays and ate up over six minutes off the clock, reached the Brantley 1-yardline before a quarterback sack by Kenuwyn Dixon resulted in an 8-yard loss, and an incomplete pass on fourth down ended the Kinston scoring threat.

Brantley wasted little time getting on the scoreboard after the defensive stand as three plays later Parker Driggers kept the ball around the left end and raced down the sidelines 78 yards for the first points of the night. The extra-point try failed, but with 4:26 left in the opening quarter Brantley was on top 6-0.

Brantley went 65 yards in five plays on its next possession to extend its

lead. The score came when Parker Driggers connected with Christopher Layton on a swing pass, and Layton pulled in the short pass, cut inside and rambled 35 yards for a touchdown. Jalanta Franklin ran in the two-point conversion as Brantley upped its lead to 14-0 with 1:05 still left in the first quarter.

The next Brantley score came on a 58-yard drive that took only four plays, and was capped off when Driggers hit Franklin with a swing pass that resulted in a 15-yard td toss. The extra-point try again failed produce points, but with 10:15 left in the second quarter Brantley was on its way with a 20-0 lead.

Kenuwyn Dixon was the next Brantley player to cross the goalline as he returned a punt up the right sidelines 60 yards for a touchdown. Benjamin Hughes kicked the extra point as Brantley's lead grew to 27-0 with 6:48 left in the half.

Brantley's Carson Jones recovered a Kinston fumble on the game's next offensive series to set the Brantley offense up at the Kinston 28-yardline, and on the very next play Tucker Kilcrease spotted Parker Driggers all alone in the endzone and fired a strike for a 28-yard td toss.

The extra-point try again failed. However, with 5:32 remaining in the second quarter Brantley was in command with a 33-0 lead.

Kinston's offense came back to life on its ensuing possession and crossed midfield on a 35-yard pass completion from Colby Copeland to Brody Horton. However, the potential drive stalled as the Brantley defense kept its shutout alive.

Brantley received the second half kickoff and raced down the field as it took only four plays to cover 60 yards into the endzone. D'Andrea Owens scored the touchdown on a 2-yard run up the middle, and although the extra-point failed, Brantley had

sealed the deal on the 39-0 region win.

Parker Driggers sparked the Brantley offense with 88 yards and one touchdown rushing on just two carries, 9 of 12 pass completions for 130 yards and two td's and one catch for 28 yards and a touchdown. Jalanta Franklin added 66 yards rushing on four carries and D'Andrea Owens added 45 yards rushing on three totes.

The Kinston offense was paced by Austin Calhoun with 7 completions in 12 pass attempts for 88 yards, while Brody Horton rushed for 25 yards on 10 carries and caught 3 passes for 37 yards, and Hunter Davis also pulled in 3 passes for 36 yards.

The yardstick....

B		K
17	1st Downs	7
19-235	Rushes-Yds.	25-18
161	Passing Yds.	123
396	Total Offense	141
11-14-0	Passes	8-15-1
104	Return Yds.	15
0	Fumbles Lost	1
5-40	Penalties-Yds.	6-54
0-00	Punts-Ave.	5-24

Scenes from Kinston youth football jamboree last weekend



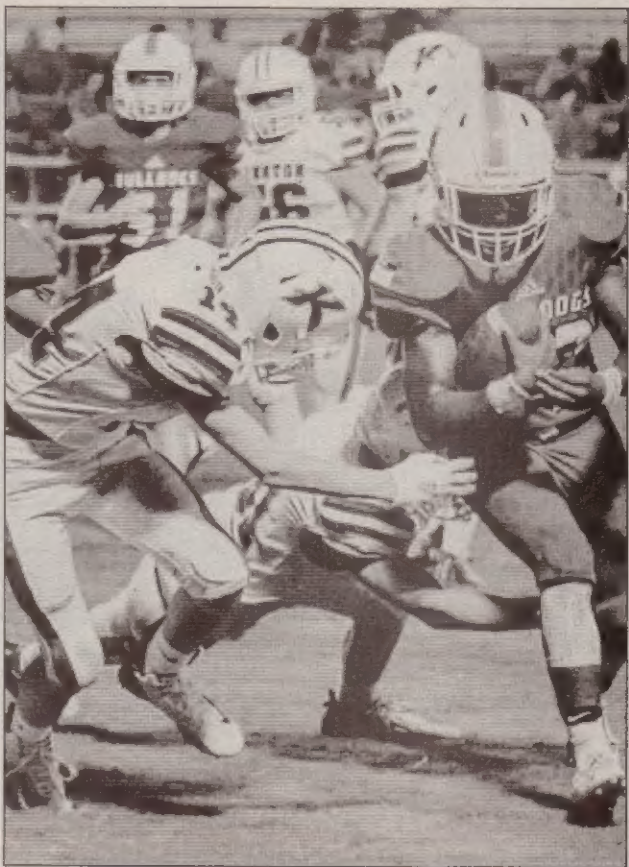
Kinston's Lucas Farris (8) leaps to avoid a tackle in a long run he made against Pleasant Home. This run set the Bulldogs up with good field position on the drive.



Kinston's Jackson Cowen (2) avoids a would-be tackle against Pleasant Home on his way to a touchdown.



Kinston's Evan Hilburn (7) is off and running in the jamboree game against Florida. This run resulted in a touchdown for the young Bulldogs.



Kinston Bulldog Hunter Hughes (14) closes in to make a stop on a Brantley runner. The Bulldogs slipped to 0-2 on the season with a 39-0 loss to Brantley in action last week.



New Brockton Marching Band colorguard member performs at halftime during recent high school football action. (Photo by Greg Brunson)



New Brockton head coach Justin Jones talks with players on the sidelines during a break in the action. (Photo by Greg Brunson)

Gamecocks caged by Luverne Tigers 48-7

From combined reports

The New Brockton Gamecocks continued their early-season struggles last week with a 48-7 road loss to the Luverne Tigers, in the region opener for both teams.

Drew Simon rushed for 74 yards and scored the lone Gamecock touchdown, while Hunter Smith had nine tackles and Hunter Wallace added seven stops

to lead the New Brockton defense, and Julian Noble had a fumble recovery.

Satyler Wilson rushed for 190 yard and two touchdowns on 14 carries to lead Luverne, while Tay Brantley completed 7 of 11 passes for 148 yards and three td's and returned an interception 55 yards for a score, and Edwards Thomas pulled in 4 passes for 102 yards, including a 72-yard td toss.

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SPORTS



Elba Lady Tiger Maggie Hammonds goes high for a potential block during recent high school volleyball action. (Photo by Roberta Gideon)



LADY TIGER CELEBRATION! Elba Lady Tigers celebrate the winning point in a set during recent high school volleyball action. Pictured above (l-r) are Jasmine Magwood (3), A'Maysia Whitfield (10), Maggie Hammonds (1), Jaylyn Baker (00) and Jaden Wright (11). (Photo by Roberta Gideon)



Elba Lady Tiger Morgan Cosson (13) goes to her knees for a dig in a recent junior varsity win. Also pictured above are Lady Tigers Navaeh Sanders (8) and Jayla Gray (17). (Photo by Roberta Gideon)

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Zion Chapel at Luverne
The (1-1) Zion Chapel Rebels will be looking to pull an upset on the road Friday night when they travel to Luverne to tangle with the (2-0) second ranked Luverne Tigers.
Luverne leads the all-time series 6-0 and won the last meeting 42-12 last season.
The Rebels will enter the game with a 1-1 record after a 40-33 win over Red Level and a 55-6 loss to Goshen, and for the second time in the last three years have opened the year with a 1-1 slate.
The Tigers will bring a 2-0 record into the region clash after posting wins over Georgiana 26-12 and New Brockton 48-7, and for the second time in the past three years have opened the season with two straight wins.

Brantley at Florala
The (2-0) Brantley Bulldogs will hit the road Friday night for a key region road game against the (1-2) Florala Wildcats.
Brantley leads the all-time series 21-3-1 and last season posted a lopsided 65-21 win over Florala.
The Bulldogs will enter the game with a 2-0 record after opening the season with wins over New Brockton 35-17 and

Kinston 39-0, and for the second straight season are 2-0 after two weeks of action.
The Wildcats will bring a 1-2 record into the contest with a win over St. Michael's 51-9 and losses to Cottage Hill Christian 42-14 and Georgiana 35-28, and this season won their season opener for the first time in four years.

Central at New Brockton
The (0-3) New Brockton Gamecocks will be looking to break into the win column and even its region record Friday night when they host the (0-2) Central Lions.
New Brockton leads the all-time series 6-0 and posted a big 42-20 win last season over Central.
The Gamecocks will bring a disappointing 0-3 record into the region contest after losing to Providence Christian 35-10, Brantley 35-17 and Luverne 48-7, and it is the first 0-3 start for the Gamecocks in 12 years.
The Lions will bring an 0-2 slate into the match-up after losses to Pike Road 41-0 and Highland Home 55-6, and marks the 13th time in the last 14 years that they have opened a season with two straight losses.

Zion Chapel Rebels fall hard to Goshen 55-6

From combined reports

The Zion Chapel Rebels never had a chance Friday night as the Goshen Eagles scored on their first seven possessions and rolled to a lopsided 55-6 region win over the outmanned Rebels.
Zion Chapel got on the scoreboard late on a fumble recovery for a score by Brockston Bragg, but it was too little, too late, as the visiting Eagles left with a resounding 55-6 region win over the Rebels.
Caleb Dawson rushed for 98 yards and three touchdowns to spark the Goshen offense, while Bryan Galloway completed 8 of 10 passes for 139 yards and one td, and Will Snyder completed 2 of 2 passes for 34 yards and one td.



Zion Chapel defenders Zakyrn Adair (4), Peyton FitzGerald (16), and Bhret Flowers (14) combine to stop a Goshen player in last week's region opener.

Elba Lady Tigers grab two wins on road

The Elba Lady Tigers returned to the volleyball court last week and posted two impressive road wins.
The Lady Tigers traveled to Brundidge on Tuesday night and claimed a thrilling 25-15, 25-20, 19-25, 7-25, 15-8 five-set win over Pike County.
Jaylyn Baker had 4 service points, including 1 ace, and added 1 hit to lead the Lady Tigers to the first set win, while A'Maysia Whitfield, Maggie Hammonds and Jaden Wright all added 3 service points, 1 ace and 1 hit, and Brittany Lane added 2 service points and 1 ace.
Brittany Lane and Jaylyn Baker both had 5 service points and 1 ace in the second set win, while Makinna Gray added 3 service points.
Maggie Hammonds had 5 service points and 2 aces in the third set loss, while Jaden Wright added 4 service points and A'Maysia Whitfield added 2 service points and 1 ace.
In the fourth set loss, Jaylyn Baker had 3 service points, and in the final fifth set victory Baker had 6 service points, 2 aces and one hit, and Maggie Hammonds added 4 service points and 1 ace.
The Lady Tigers remained on the road Thursday and claimed a 25-

11, 25-16 win over McKenzie. In the first set win, Jaden Wright had 5 service points and 2 aces, while Makinna Gray added 4 service points and 1 ace, Jaylyn Baker added 3 service points and 1 ace, and Maggie Hammonds and Brittany Lane both added 2 service points and 1 ace.
In the second set win, Jaylyn Baker had 4 service points and 23 aces, while Maggie Hammonds added 4 service points and 1 ace, A'Maysia Whitfield added 3 service points and 1 ace, Jaden Wright added 2 service points and 1 ace, and Makinna Gray added 2 service points.

Lady Tiger JV claim two wins over Pike

The Elba Junior Varsity Lady Tigers hot the volleyball court twice last week for matches against Pike County and claimed a pair of impressive wins.
In the first match of the week, the Lady Tigers rallied to claim a 21-25, 25-17, 15-13 win. In the opening set, Navaeh Sanders recorded 8 service points and 4 aces, while Victori Edwards added 2 service points and 1 ace and Jayla Gray added 2 service points.
In the second set, Jayla Gray recorded 6 service points and 2 aces, while Navaeh Sanders added 6 service points and 1 ace, and Tamiah Tillis added 3 service points.
In the third set, Callie Pope recorded 5 service points, 2 aces, 1 block and 1 hit, while Tamiah Tillis recorded 3 service points and 1 ace and Navaeh Sanders recorded 2 service points.
In the second match of the week, the Lady Tigers posted an exciting 26-24, 20-25, 15-13 road win.
In the first set, Tamiah Tillis recorded 8 service points and 2 aces, while Callie pope added 3 service points and Navaeh Sanders and Jayla Gray both had 2 service points.
In the second set, Tamiah

Tillis had 3 service points and Morgan Cosson added 2 service points.
In the deciding third set, Victori Edwards had 4 service points and 1 ace.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

15th Annual Jack Day Festival set for this Saturday on Zion Chapel Schools campus

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Members of Altrusa International of Jack, Ala. turn this weekend to the community for help in raising funds for the club's annual service projects. The 15th annual Jack Day Festival will be held Saturday, Sept. 15, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on the campus of Zion Chapel School.

According to Altrusa member Britley Parker, the Jack Day Festival is basically the clubs only fundraiser for the year. As a service organization, Altrusa International of Jack and its members recognize literacy as their mission.

Parker said the club promotes literacy through various projects such as purchasing e-books and mini iPads for the library. Other service projects funded by Altrusa of Jack include: awarding three monetary scholarships per year, buying books for the local day-care, sponsoring Christmas families and purchasing Bingo prizes for the senior citizens center.

All in all, Parker said the members of Altrusa of Jack strive to fulfill needs, whatever they may be, when one is recognized in the Jack community. However, to be able to fulfill these needs, she said the club must raise

funds yearly, and the Jack Day Festival allows Altrusa of Jack to raise these funds. Now in its 15th year, the Jack Day Festival has grown each year, and club members are very excited about this year's event. Parker said fun for all ages is planned for this year's event.

While arts and crafts are the focus of the event, there are activities and entertainment planned throughout the day. There will be food, games, entertainment, Cow Patty Drop – sponsored by Chick Fil-a of Enterprise, and a Car Show [people's choice awards sponsored by Enterprise Muffler and Brake]. The Cow Patty Drop will be from 12 noon – 2 p.m. and tickets can be purchased the day of the event.

The event also will feature an inflatable obstacle course and dunking booth. Another main attraction for Jack Day continues to be the Silent Auction.

Parker said many items of worth have been donated from businesses and community members in Jack and surrounding areas for this fundraising auction.

At 10 a.m., all Zion Chapel youth sports cheerleaders and football players will be recognized, and there will be a Meet the Rebels for the high school football team and cheer-

leaders. The cheerleaders will perform.

There will be a Womanless Beauty Pageant at 11 a.m., and the She-Bang dance group will perform at 12 noon.

"We look forward each year to the Jack Day events as we try to raise money for literacy," said Parker. "This event has been very successful for our organization, and we hope to have another successful day this Saturday."

Parker encourages everyone to bring a lawn chair and enjoy the day. There is no admission charge to attend the Jack Day festival.

CITY

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the City before considering the matter for their retirees. The one-time cost to the utility board would be slightly less than the amount it would cost the City itself.

Assistant City Clerk Pat Boothe reported that the old Sonic building had been removed and the property cleared and sod put in place. She noted the monthly bills included a \$10,000 charge for a sewer lift station issue. Boothe explained that the pumps in the lift station had to be completely replaced.

The City has also purchased refrigeration equipment to store water samples taken from the sewer lagoon, allowing for better, more accurate lab test results from the samples.

The new dog park has been started, Boothe reported. City crews also are busy cutting grass and filling potholes in city streets.

Monthly bills totaling \$160,186.31 were approved for payment. The largest charge was \$18,186.31 for employee health insurance. Following closely was a \$16,067.19 payment on a bank loan.

It cost \$12,004.45 to keep gas in city vehicles for the past month. This includes police cars, garbage trucks, lawn mowers, tractors, and street maintenance crew's transportation vehicles.

Chamber of Commerce director Sandy Bynum addressed the council on the benefits of qualifying as a "Certified Local Government". No action was taken at this meeting but council members were urged to review the extensive materials related to the issue and be prepared to vote a later date.

Council members were given a list of expiring board appointments for review and replacement.

The city council will hold a budget workshop on Tuesday, September 18th at 6:00 p.m.

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the resolution commending Altrusa of Jack, and McLeod presented it to club members Stephanie Goodson and Laura Jordan during the meeting.

Superintendent Kevin Killingsworth had several personnel matters to present to board members. His recommendations were approved unanimously.

Bethany Bryant, a teacher at New Brockton High School, was granted leave tentatively beginning Oct. 10, 2018 and ending Nov. 26, 2018.

The resignation of Larry Walker, bus driver for New Brockton, was accepted.

The retirement of Selena King, bus driver for Zion Chapel School, was approved. Her retirement begins Oct. 1, 2018.

Kelly Yaden, CNP worker at Zion Chapel School, was granted additional leave time. Board members

voted to extend her prior request for Family Medical Leave through Sept. 18th.

Prior to adjourning, the superintendent said he and some other school representatives and board members recently congratulated the 3rd grade at Kinston School for its achievement of being in the "Top 50" of the Accelerated Reading program. He said the school would receive \$20,000 for this honor.


Killingsworth also updated board members on the modular buildings at New Brockton Elementary School. He said the construction on these buildings had slowed some, but he is pushing the contractors to get this work done as soon as possible.

Killingsworth said he wants to get the sixth grade students back to the elementary school as soon as that can be accomplished.


LBWCC Adult Education now offering Microsoft Digital Literacy Certification

LBWCC Adult Education is now offering the Microsoft Digital Literacy Certification! This program is being offered in Andalusia, Opp, Greenville, Luverne, and Florala. Class hours are flexible to accommodate busy schedules. It includes five basic components: Computer

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ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF JACK HELD THE SUNFLOWER QUEEN PAGEANT last Sunday afternoon, Sept. 9, at Zion Chapel High School. This pageant was held in conjunction with this weekend's 15th annual Jack Day Festival. Queens crowned in the pageant include: (front, l to r) Tiny Miss Sunflower Queen Olivia Baldwin and Little Miss Sunflower Queen Riley Grant; (back, l to r) Junior Miss Sunflower Queen Lizzie Faircloth, Teen Miss Sunflower Queen Heidi Arnold, Baby Miss Sunflower Queen Addilyn Baldwin, and Petite Miss Sunflower Queen Isabel Kelley

Historian Wayne Flynt to speak in Dothan, Sept. 27

Historian Wayne Flynt will discuss "The Richness of Alabama Culture and Harper Lee" on Thursday, Sept. 27, at 6:30 p.m., in Sony Hall in the Terry Everett Building at the Dothan Campus of Troy University. This event is free, and the public is invited.

The presentation features the themes in three of Flynt's latest books, "Alabama: The History of a Deep South State, Bicentennial Edition," "Mockingbird Songs: My Friendship with Harper Lee," and "Southern Religion and Christian Diversity in the Twentieth Century." All books will be available for purchase and signing.

Flynt is a distinguished university professor emeritus at Auburn University and has published fourteen books.

"Dr. Flynt is the foremost public intellectual and best-known Alabama historian in the state at this time," said Dr. Marty Olliff, director of the Wiregrass Archives and professor of history at Troy University's Dothan Campus. "His deep knowledge and love for Alabama's culture and history come through with every presentation, every publication. His legendary friendship with Harper Lee will make this an evening to remember."

For more information, contact Dr. Marty Olliff, 334-983-6556 ext.1327 or molliff@troy.edu.



Elba Police Chief Leslie Hussey is shown pinning **Officer Wesley Hazel** with his sergeant pins during a promotion ceremony held last Friday morning, Sept. 7, at Elba City Hall.



Elba Police Officer Chase Rogers received his sergeant pins during a promotion ceremony held last Friday morning, Sept. 7, at Elba City Hall. Shown pinning Rogers is his girlfriend, Brinley Williams.



Elba Police Chief Leslie Hussey said he was pleased to have several local law enforcement agencies represented at the promotion ceremony for two of his officers last Friday morning, Sept. 7, in Elba. He said he felt this showed a good support system between all local agencies. Those pictured above include: District Attorney's office investigator Skip Neuwien; Assistant District Attorney Josh Wilson, Circuit Judge Tom Head, Alabama State Trooper Steven Hawkins, Elba Police Sergeant Chase Rogers, Elba Police Chief Leslie Hussey, Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock, Elba Police Sergeant Wesley Hazel, Coffee County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy R.W. Whitworth, Coffee County Sheriff Dave Sutton, Coffee County Sheriff's Department Captain Michael Hines, Elba Police Officer Sylvia Summers, and Elba Police Lt. Dale Cobb.

Elba High students looking for interview volunteers

Elba High School students will conduct oral interviews of Elba residents and natives who survived the numerous floods in Elba's history for its Bicentennial project. After interviews are conducted,

the students will put together a presentation of interviews to present before the school on a designated day. Through this Bicentennial project, Elba students will become knowledgeable of the rich

history of Alabama, more specifically, the place they call home. Anyone interested in being interviewed for this project to share his/her story, is asked to call Elba High School at 897-2266 to

reserve a time on Wednesday, Oct. 10, to come and be interviewed in the Elba High library. Please bring any pictures, footage, belongings, etc. that are significant from surviving the flood.